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Rep. Miller's Bill Would Have Required Sex Offender to Notify Police Before Moving into Fairfield



State Rep. Lawrence G. Miller, R-122, Shelton, Stratford, had proposed a new state law this year that would have required a convicted sex offender to notify Fairfield police before moving into town temporarily this summer.

Rep. Miller's bill, HB 6749, would have required notification of in-state and out-of-state police departments when a registered sexual offender moves out-of-state. The offender had moved to the Lake Hills section of Fairfield from Florida, where he had served eight year in jail and currently serves on probation.

"Had the Connecticut legislature adopted this bill," said Rep. Miller, "a sex offender would have had to notify his old town and his new town whenever he changes his address. Unfortunately, my bill died this year and therefore I am introducing it again for 2006."

Connecticut has a sex offender registry law. However, an offender who lives here temporarily may not have to register with the state and local authorities.

Rep. Miller formerly was a resident of the Lake Hills area many years ago, and he expressed concern for families living there.

"Again, I fault the General Assembly for not taking up this bill and voting on it. It would have addressed situations such as this one," said Rep. Miller.